An ACCOUNT of the Taking of the FORT of BALLYMORE, *within ten miles of* Athlone, *on* Monday *the eight of* June, 1691.

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Lieutenant General *Ginckell*, Commander in Chief of Their Majeſties Forces, with fifteen Battalions of Foot, and nineteen Squadrons of Horſe and Dragoons, being that part of Their Majeſties Army that Rendezvouſed at *Mullingar*, march'd from thence on Saturday the ſixth inſtant towards *Ballimore*, and arrived there on the ſeventh, and immediatly beat the Enemy out of the Hedges they had poſſeſſed themſelves of without, into the Fort, a Serjeant and fifteen Men, who were in a ſmall Tower, half a quarter of a Mile from the Garriſon, only excepted, who had the impudence, after all Communication was cut off from him, to force his Men to Fire, and kill'd two of ours; for which, as ſoon as it was taken, he was hanged.

On *Monday* Morning the eight, the Batteries being finiſhed, began to Fire at the Fort about Sun-riſing; about eight a Clock, the General ſent a Summons to the Governour, *That if he did not deliver up the Place within two hours, he ſhould have the ſame Treatment his Serjeant met with*; but miſtaking the Meſſage, (as the Governour ſaid afterwards) he did not return an Anſwer to the General's Satisfaction. Upon which he Commanded the Batteries to continue firing, and they did it with ſuch good Succeſs, that two Breaches were made, one in the outermoſt Fort next the Town, and the other on the Works within the Iſland, ſo that it was reſolved to Storm it the next morning when the Tinn-Boats came up, four other Boats being put into the Water, put the Enemy into a mighty Conſternation, all the Iſland to the Lough-ſide being altogether Unfortified. About twelve a Clock they continually held out White Flags, but were not hearkned unto till about ſeven in the Evening, when they left off Firing, and then we did the like. And after ſome Parly, Colonel *Vlick Bourke*, the Governor and ſeveral Officers came out to the General, and deſired to ſubmit upon Diſcretion; About nine a Clock the General went into the Fort, where were found alive four Field Officers, ſixteen Captains, fourteen Lieutenants, twelve Enſigns and Cornets, five Quartermaſters, Chaplains, Store-keepers, *&c.* ſeven hundred and eighty private Soldiers, two hundred and fifty nine Rapparies, who were all well Armed, ſix hundred and forty five Women, and Children innumerable; and are to be brought Priſoners to *Dublin*. We loſt in this Action but eight Men, and kill'd of the Enemy about one hundred and fifty.

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